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SUBJECT: OU 7-13/14 Comprehensive RI/FS - Combination of Operable Units 13  
and 14 - (OPE-ER-198-99)

Dear Mr. Pierre and Mr. Nygard:

This letter documents, for the administrative record, the fact that Waste Area Group 7 Operable Units 13 and 14 have been combined for purposes of the comprehensive Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study.

As agreed to in the August 1995 Scope of Work for Operable Unit 7-13/14 Waste Area Group 7 Comprehensive Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (INEL-95/0253):

"Operable Unit 7-13 is the transuranic (TRU) pits and trenches RI/FS, which was established to evaluate the risks posed by the buried TRU waste at the SDA. Due to the similarities of all buried waste at the SDA, the agencies have agreed that all source term and pathway OUs associated with WAG 7 will be comprehensively evaluated in OU 7-13 RI/FS, which will also serve as the comprehensive RI/FS for WAG 7 (OU 7-14) and referred to in this document as OU 7-13/14."

If you have any questions please call me or Aran Armstrong at (208) 526-5199.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathleen E. Hain", is positioned above the typed name.

Kathleen E. Hain, Director  
Environmental Restoration Program